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SUBJECT: DUTCH ENTRANT IN OPERATION SAIL, THE EENDRACHT

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1. BICENTENNIAL ADMINISTRATOR JOHN W. WARNER HAS PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT FOR EMBASSY USE IN CONNECTION WITH SCHEVENINGEN RECEPTION FOR EENDRACHT.

2. BEGIN TEXT: NETHERLANDS TOPSAIL SCHOONER EENDRACHT WAS INDEED A HIGHLIGHT OF OPERATION SAIL 1976 IN NEWPORT, NEW YORK, BALTIMORE, ANNAPOLIS AND NORFOLK. LED OVER ONE HUNDRED CLASS B AND C VESSELS THROUGH DIFFICULT WATERS OF LOWER LONG ISLAND SOUND INTO NEW YORK HARBOR JULY 3 FOR PREPARATION FOR JULY 4 SPECTACULAR. IN FORMATION WITH NINE COLORFUL AND HISTORIC DUTCH LEEBOARD SLOOPS, LED THIRD SQUADRON IN PARADE OF SAIL ON JULY 4. WAS AWARDED NATIONAL BICENTENNIAL MEDAL OF USA AS SMARTEST SHIP OF HER CLASS IN PARADE. CAPTAIN H.M. JUTA DESERVING OF SPECIAL COMMENDATION FOR HIS SUPERB SEAMANSHIP AND DEDICATED PERSONAL EFFORT TO CONTRIBUTE TO SEAGOING COMMEMORATION OF OUR NATION'S 200TH ANNIVERSARY. (SIGNED) JOHN W. WARNER, ADMIN-
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ISTRATOR, ARBA. END TEXT.

3. ARBA CONFIRMS THAT CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION AND SMARTEST SHIP AWARD WERE GIVEN TO CAPT. JUTA IN NEW YORK. ARBA SUGGESTS THAT APPROPRIATE EMBASSY OFFICER MAKE FORMAL PRESENTATION OF THESE TWO ITEMS AT CEREMONIES ON SEPTEMBER 1 AND READ ABOVE TEXT AS ARBA COMMENDATION.

4. OPERATION SAIL OFFICIALS NOTIFIED OF YOUR TELEGRAM AND HAVE ADVISED THEY WILL FORWARD APPROPRIATE RECOGNITION OF EENDRACHT'S PARTICIPATION (POSSIBLY A CABLE TO THE MAYOR). KISSINGER

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